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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application.

1. Cancelled.

2 (Currently amended). The optical disc device according to claim 4 8,
wherein the tray comprises a mounting surface in the mounting space and, in order to mount a single disc on the mounting surface in ~~the a~~ single disc mounting space, the holding mechanism is provided with a first disc radial direction restricting portion whose radius is larger than that of the single disc as measured from an approximate center thereof when the single disc is mounted on the tray, a first disc thickness direction restricting portion that restricts movement of the single disc in a disc thickness direction, and a disc bottom guide portion that guides the single disc to the mounting surface, and

in order to mount the cartridge on the mounting surface in ~~the a~~ cartridge mounting space, the holding mechanism is further provided with a cartridge restricting portion that has the same shape as at least a part of a front end of the cartridge as viewed in a loading direction to the tray, and a first cartridge thickness direction restricting portion that restricts movement of the cartridge in a cartridge thickness direction and that has the same shape as at least a part of a front end of the cartridge as viewed in a loading direction to the tray.

3 (Original). The optical disc device according to claim 2,
wherein the holding mechanism is biased with an elastic member so that the single disc mounting space is formed.

4 (Original). The optical disc device according to claim 3,
wherein a plurality of the holding mechanisms are provided.

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5 (Original). The optical disc device according to claim 4,
wherein pivotal movements of the plurality of holding mechanisms are linked with each other.

6 (Currently amended). The optical disc device according to claim 4, 8,
wherein the tray comprises a mounting surface in the mounting space and, in order to mount a single disc on the mounting surface in ~~the~~ a single disc mounting space, the holding mechanism is provided with a second disc radial direction restricting portion whose radius is larger than that of the single disc as measured from an approximate center thereof when the single disc is mounted on the tray, and a second disc thickness direction restricting portion that restricts movement of the single disc in a disc thickness direction, and

in order to mount a cartridge on the mounting surface in ~~the~~ a cartridge mounting space, the holding mechanism is further provided with a second cartridge thickness direction restricting portion that restricts movement of the cartridge in a cartridge thickness direction and that has the same shape as at least a part of a rear end of the cartridge as viewed in a loading direction to the tray.

7 (Original). The optical disc device according to claim 6,
wherein a plurality of the holding mechanisms are provided.

8 (New). An optical disc device that records information on and reproduces information from either of (I) a single disc or (II) a cartridge housing a disc after the single disc or the cartridge is mounted on a mounting surface of a tray, and then the tray is loaded into a body of the optical disc device, wherein

the tray is provided with a mounting space capable of accommodating either one of a single disc mounting space or a cartridge mounting space, which mounting space is formed according to the respective shapes of the single disc and the cartridge to be mounted, and the tray also is provided with a holding mechanism and a predetermined supporting point for the holding mechanism, the holding mechanism holding one of the single disc or the cartridge in either a horizontal orientation or a

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vertical orientation in the respective mounting space, said orientation defining a planar direction of the mounted single disc or cartridge, and

the holding mechanism is structured and arranged to pivot around a predetermined supporting point in said planar direction.